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Sri S. RAMALINGAM :—“ திருச்சிராப்பள்ளி நேஷனல் காலேஜில் தாழ்த்தப்பட்ட வகுப்பினரையும் பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினரையும் சேர்ந்த மாணவர்கள் சர்க்காரால் நிர்ணயிக்கப்பட்ட அளவுக்கு சேர்க்கப்படவில்லை என்பதைப்பற்றி விசாரித்து சர்க்கார் தக்க நடவடிக்கை எடுப்பார்களா ? ”

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ As I stated already, I do not have the figures with me at present. But I may tell that on the whole it is working very well. If any particular instance of injustice is brought to my notice, I will look into it.”

Sri M. PALANIYANDI :—“ திருச்சிராப்பள்ளி தேசிய கல்லூரியில் தாழ்த்தப்பட்ட வகுப்பு மாணவர்களும் **(Scheduled Caste)** சர்க்காரால் நிர்ணயிக்கப்பட்டு இருக்கும் அளவுக்கு சேர்க்கப்பட்டு இருக்கிறார்கள் என்று கனம் எஸ். ராமலிங்கம் அவர்களுக்கு நான் தெரிவிக்க விரும்புகிறேன்.

“ I am giving this answer in reply to the question of the hon. Member Sri Ramalingam.”

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ I am thankful to the hon. Member, Sir, for his answer.”

Allocation of the Central Road Fund.

* 149 *Q.*—Sri K. VENKATRAMANA GOWDA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the date of creation of the Central Road Fund;

(*b*) the Madras State allocations of the Central Road Fund—for each year from its creation up to date; and

(*c*) the total amounts distributed to the different districts of the Madras State so far?

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ (*a*) *to* (*c*) Attention of the hon. Member is invited to the paper[a] laid on the table of the House.”

Sri K. VENKATRAMANA GOWDA :—“ From the reply given by the Hon. Minister, I find that the needs of South Kanara district which is backward in the matter of communications have not been properly appreciated. Will the Government give appropriate attention at least in future to South Kanara while distributing the fund? ”

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ There is no districtwar basis for distribution of this fund. From the figures laid on the table of the House, we find that South Kanara has been allotted Rs. 10 lakhs odd for the various works sanctioned under the scheme ever since the inception of the fund. I do not see any reason to consider the suggestion of the hon. Member to increase the allocation for South Kanara; because, as has been stated in answer to clause (*c*) of the question, allocations from the fund are not distributed on a districtwar basis. We are

[a] Printed as Appendix on page 239 infra.

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executing schemes and incurring expenditure on works with reference to needs and requirements and relative degree of urgency thereof."

Second Language Test for Non-Gazetted Officers.

* 150 *Q.*—Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Non-Gazetted Officers whose mother-tongue is Malayalam, are compelled to pass the Second Language Test in Tamil or Telugu;

(*b*) whether the Non-Gazetted Officers whose mother-tongue is Tamil or Telugu, are also required to pass the Second Language Test in Malayalam;

(*c*) if not, the reason for the discrimination;

(*d*) whether the promotions of Malayalee clerks in any department of the Government have been withheld on the ground that the Second Language Test in Tamil or Telugu has not been passed; and

(*e*) if so, in how many cases?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister) :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir. N.G.Os. whose mother-tongue is Malayalam are required to pass the Second Language Test in Tamil or Telugu in certain services recruitment to which is made on a State-wide basis.

" (*b*) Till now the N.G.Os. whose mother-tongue is either Tamil or Telugu are not required to pass the Language Test in Malayalam but are required to pass the test in any of the languages, viz., Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannada and Hindustani, other than their mother-tongue.

" (*c*) The reason for the rule was that Tamil and Telugu formed the spoken language of a large part of the composite State, and in the case of recruitment to posts on State-wide basis candidates were liable to transfer from one part of the State to the other. It was therefore thought necessary that they should know at least one of the two principal languages of the State as it was before the Andhra partition. Now that the Andhra State has been formed, it is considered that a pass in the language test in Telugu need not be made compulsory. Government are considering amendment of the Service Rules so as to require those whose language is Tamil to pass a test in some one of the other languages, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannada or Hindustani and to require those whose language is other than Tamil, to pass the test in Tamil.

" (*d*) & (*e*) There is no handy information."